

The United States have a Federal army of 25,000 men; there are over 100,000 State militia of whom the President is the Commander-in-Chief, and there are over 13,000,000 men of military age in the United States, fully 12,000,000 of whom are ready at the first call to take up arms for the Stars and Stripes.

in Vienna correspondent of the *Standard* writing on the subject of electoral reform and the extension of the franchise in Austria, states that out of the whole male population of Cisleithania of twenty-four years and upwards, only 3,350,000 can read and write, whereas 1,793,000 are illiterate, the proportion per cent. being—in Galicia, 38; in Dalmatia, 38; and in Lower Austria, with Vienna, 8. These figures are interesting from more than one point of view. They indicate an alarming condition of ignorance, mostly in the Slav Provinces, and fully justify the objection of the Germans to being ruled over by a majority of present-day illiterates endowed with equal voting power to their own.

'Good heavens, no! If they had fired me \$500 I could not have got home.'
What made Mr. Hill's cause so serious in the eyes of the British officers was that he had a sort of a background board in his pocket. 'It had points and lines running parallel and perpendicular to each other,' explained one of the passengers on the steamer, 'and the officers were sure that it was a chart showing the position of the guns and the fortifications. They took it away from him and lectured him severely.'
—S. F. Chronicle.

... Chibbi arrived on the 7th of December
... soldiers are still disgracing themselves

the mandarins as has usually been the case, especially with regard to the offering of

of God, is furthest from what they
now or saw. Their worship is confined
that of the spirits of their ancestors and

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